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MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

[1] JOHN FOSTER DULLES, U S Sec'y of State, *addressing opening session of Southeast Asia Treaty Council*: "We want our own people to enjoy, in peace, the blessings of liberty. But we cannot have liberty for ourselves unless others also have it." . . . [2] HENRY CABOT LODGE, Jr, U S Ambassador to UN: "Our country, with 6% of the world's population, is facing a determined coalition of 40% of the world's people. Any country in that situation needs allies." . . .

[3] EARL WARREN, U S Supreme Ct Chief Justice, *addressing Washington Univ Convocation*: "Liberty is not necessarily our permanent possession. It is easier, I believe, to know how to combat an enemy who challenges our rights to freedom, than it is to subject ourselves to daily analysis and discipline for the purpose of preventing the erosion that can, with equal effectiveness, destroy them." . . . [4] EZRA TAFT BENSON, U S Sec'y of Agriculture: "I am convinced that for agriculture, the road ahead will be

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Pres DWIGHT D EISENHOWER, *marking American Legion's "Back to God" movement*: "Without God there could be no American form of gov't, nor an American way of life. Recognition of the Supreme Being is the 1st—the most basic—expression of Americanism. Thus the founding fathers of America saw it, and thus, with God's help, it will continue to be."

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smoother than the one we have been traveling." . . . [5] Police edict issued at Bangkok, Thailand, on eve of Southeast Asia Treaty conf: "Parents are warned not to let nude children appear on the streets, as this would be a disgrace for the country." . . . [6] Most Rev Dr GEOFFREY FISHER, Archbishop of Canterbury, *addressing British people on stiff rise in price of tea*: "For the 1st time the plantation workers are getting a decent wage. You should say, 'Thank God the price of tea is going up!'"

FIFTEENTH YEAR OF PUBLICATION



In the matter of a guaranteed annual wage, the common impression that management is unanimously lined up on one side, and labor on the other, is not entirely accurate.

A sizeable segment in the ranks of management would like to see the annual wage in operation. The only stumbling-block is that they don't see how the revolution is to be accomplished without economic upheaval.

There are two primary reasons why enlightened men of management approve the principle of the guaranteed annual wage: (1) Any movement that tends to eliminate peaks and valleys in production, obviously makes for more efficient, and thus more economical, production. Ten thousand men employed 50 wks a yr may be expected to produce more than, say, 15,000 men working only 35 wks a yr. (2) Irregularity of employment

exerts a depressing effect on the total economy. Every man working for wages is also a buyer of commodities. The auto worker is a customer for household appliances. The worker in an appliance plant is thinking about a new car. If workers generally could be assured continuity of employment, they would obligate themselves more readily for desired durables. A family must live 365 days a year; to sustain living standards requires a regular flow of money.

Everyone agrees that our spurt-and-slack system of economics is indefensible. It is costly to all concerned. And so it will have to go. Not all at once, to be sure. And not without great struggle. No single employer—no group of employers—wants to take the initiative. But action will be forced, beginning perhaps in this historic yr of '55. And like other social innovations designed to further the economic security of vast numbers of persons, it will eventually turn out to be a very good thing for all.

The guaranteed wage is not equally practicable in all lines, but every industry can do more to equalize production than now seems possible.



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"He who never quotes, is never quoted"
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Charles H. Johnson



AGE—1

Reminiscing, worrying about your health, and criticizing youth are three sure indications of approaching senility. Keep out of that pitfall by bldg up some friendships among younger people. You will never be without friends, even if you live to be a hundred and all the old ones have long since passed on to glory. — RAYMOND P KAIGHN, *How to Retire and Like It* (Association Press).

Life not only begins at 40—it begins to show.—MIKE CONNOLLY, *Hollywood Reporter*.

ATOMIC AGE—2

Any balance sheet of the atom begins with a colossal liability—the potential end of civilization altogether. It is offset, however, by an almost equally colossal asset—the potential end of war. Atomic energy threatens on the one hand to terminate an interesting biological experiment among the anthropoids; on the other, as long as the trigger is not pressed, it can frighten nations into keeping the peace — at least beyond little "brush fire" wars.—STUART CHASE, *Saturday Review*.

BEHAVIOR—3

Any time you allow somebody to push you around, the direction in which you are being pushed is toward a tight corner.—*Cincinnati Enquirer*.

CHARACTER—4

A good anvil need not fear the hammer. — *Auslese*, Frankfurt (QUOTE translation).

CIVILIZATION—5

Civilization has been made by men; and it will be preserved only if men remember both their human limitations and their human potentialities.—DONALD CREIGHTON, "Education for Gov't," *Queen's Q'tly*, Canada, Winter '55.

COMMUNISM—Propaganda—6

Paradoxically, they (the Communists) are able to turn the very badness of the record to their advantage in publicity to the free world. Democratic opinion has grown so accustomed to expect from Communist gov'ts nothing but truculence, vituperation, bad faith, and disregard of internat'l law, that the slightest improvement evokes an entirely disproportionate jubilation and optimism. If an Iron Curtain gov't releases some unfortunate foreigner who has been held in prison for yrs without trial, the springtime of reconciliation is at hand; . . . if it begins to observe some of the normal courtesies of internat'l intercourse, the millennium is already with us.—G F HUDSON, "The Communist Terms for Peaceful Coexistence," *Commentary*, 2-'55.

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It's not often that debate on any bill has as attentive an audience as did the one boosting Congressional pay by \$10,000, when the House considered and passed it. Efforts were made to keep the oratory on a serious level, but a few laughs slipped in anyway. Rep Usher Burdick (R-ND) insisted that the House take a record vote on the pay raise. "Don't slide in behind the curtain and say, 'It wasn't me, it was the other fellow'," Burdick lectured his colleagues.

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Declares one Washington taxi driver: "Things are getting pretty bad around here; people have started trying to pay me with the sandwiches they steal at cocktail parties." . . . Says Sen Rob't S Kerr (D-Okla): "It's easier to get ulcers from what's eating you than from what you eat."

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Rep Edith Green (D-Ore), a new mbr of Congress, says she is getting an occasional letter addressed "Green Edith." But she takes this philosophically. "Green," she says, "has always been the signal for GO!" . . . An observation by Rep Dewey Short (R-Mo): "I think the 1st lesson I learned as a mbr of Congress is that it is mighty difficult to vote for a law to help somebody without stepping on somebody else's toes."

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GOD—and Man—7

It isn't ability that God wants; it's pliability.—Rev OWEN W PRINCE, *Christian Advocate*.

GOVERNMENT—Inefficiency—8

Sen Norris Cotton (R-NH) wanted to observe the "frightening" contrast between gov't and science—that fed'l agencies go the same ponderous way they always have, while planes fly 1650 mph and guided missiles with H-bomb war heads fly hundreds of mi's at fantastic speed with great accuracy.

Cotton decided he'd check the facts 1st at the Pentagon. He talked to a series of colonels and generals, but couldn't get clearance. "That," he concluded, "drove me underground to get the information in an illicit manner. So I consulted yesterday's newspaper, where I found it all. The incident," he concluded, "further proved my point."—*Quote Washington Bureau*.

HAPPINESS—9

I remember how on summer nights when I was a little girl, I used to catch "lightning bugs," put them in a bottle, and seal them up tight, so the tiny bright lights wou'd glow there in the dark. Next morning all the "glow" was gone. The lightning bugs had died.

It is the same way with a human being. If we try too hard to find happiness, we don't find it. Something gets all "sealed up" inside us. But when we share ourselves with God's world and His other children, happiness is right there "glowing" and waiting for us. — MARGARET MOORE JACOBS, *Christian Observer*.

Mining the Magazines



Lancet, British medical jnl, gives this advice on how to sleep during speeches at public dinners: "The head should rest on a tripod formed of the trunk and of the arms firmly placed on the table. The head should be placed in the hands in a slightly flexed position to allow the tongue to fall forward and prevent stertorous breathing. The fingers should be outstretched over the face and eyes, pressing the skin of the forehead upwards to wrinkle it. This gives an appearance of deep concentration."

As you have doubtless noted, if you do much eating at home, frozen foods are rapidly gaining a dominant position in the kitchen. The merchandising jnl, *Tide*, recently presented an elaborate dinner menu, ranging from shrimp cocktail to cherry pie, all from the deep freeze—defrosted, heated and served within a period of 20 min's.

Some time ago readers of *Farm Jnl* were invited to give their views on the subject of getting ahead. "Should a bulging bank acc't be the big aim in life?" Their collective answer, as set forth in Feb issue, is a resounding "NO!" Typical summary: "We don't owe anything, and it's wonderful. Still, there's an unhappy feeling that you owe *yourself* something—a little fun, pleasant memories."

From a newspaper acc't of a marine disaster, as quoted in *Revue*, Munich (Quote translation): "The ship that went down had a crew of 26 men whose tragic deaths now leave hundreds of widows in deep sorrow."

In *Glamour* (Feb) Eileen Lange goes gunning for the cocktail party. "As heavy drinking spreads in any community," she asserts, "it is likely to spread by way of the cocktail party." You know, the kind where drinks-before-dinner turn into drinks-instead-of.

The British, perhaps a bit more susceptible than their American cousins, will soon have a quarterly jnl devoted to the subject of "flying saucers." Published by Flying Saucer Service, Ltd, its avowed purpose is "to further the purely scientific study of these phenomena." Advance prospectus says a number of scientists have offered to contribute.

Variety, jnl of show business, noted for its fantastic headlines, puts this one over a story of exhibitors plagued to join and support endless "worthy" causes: "How Come You Dues Me Like You Dun?"

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HUMAN RIGHTS—10

The one great right we all have is the right to be wrong.—ALVINA BROWER.

JUVENILE DELINQUENCY—11

One of the gravest offshoots of our juvenile delinquency problem is the growing number of teen-age narcotic addicts. Today there are more than 50,000 youngsters under 21 yrs of age who have been caught in the vicious dope habit.—Mrs ARTHUR CROM, GFWC Narcotic Chmn, "Our Teen-Age Dope Crisis," *Gen'l Fed'n Clubwoman*, 2-'55.

KNOWLEDGE—12

Inclination is the 1st step to knowledge.—*Christian Index*.

LIBERTY—13

Unless we wrestle mightily for the liberty of others we shall not preserve our own.—Dr WM PIERSON MERRILL, *American Organist*.

LIFE—Living—14

We have done so much to raise our standard of living; now we need to turn our efforts to the much more important task of raising our standard for living.—*Tit-Bits*, London.

MAN—15

It is my conviction that it is toward the fundamental unity of man that we must look for the only means whereby civilization and mankind may survive on this earth. Our knowledge of man must begin to catch up with our mastery of science.—RALPH J BUNCHE, *American Political Science Review*.

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MARRIED LIFE—16

Even if marriages are made in heaven, man has to be responsible for the maintenance. — *Kroehler News*, hm, Kroehler Mfg Co.

MENTAL HEALTH—17

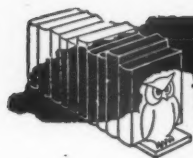
If we knew as much about mental health as we do about physical health, an epidemic of hate would be considered as dangerous as an epidemic of typhoid.—*Viking Vacuum*.

PERCEPTION—18

We cannot attack problems until we have learned to see. A student of Louis Aggasiz' spent nearly 200 hrs examining a small fish. He was learning to see. Of all familiar objects, man is perhaps the most familiar—a chief reason for overlooking significant details and questions.—EVERETT K WILSON, Assoc Prof of Sociology, *Antioch College Notes*.

PERSPECTIVE—19

We did not construct (bldgs like) the Nat'l Archives Bldg for the dead past to bury its dead, but for the living past to teach us in the present how to be wiser, saner, humbler men. If we continue to neglect or starve human scholarship . . . we shall further impoverish the present. But to find out what we presently are and where we are going, we must know what we have been and what others have done; and this, because the humanities are at once the creation and the interpreters of the past, is the great purpose of humanistic scholarship.—HOWARD MUMFORD JONES, Harvard Univ English prof, *Boston Globe*.



Book Briefs

Sydney J Harris, *Chicago Daily News* columnist, "has a little list" of books he can well do without. Included: Any book with the title, "So You're Going to . . ."; any book with the title, "I Was a . . ."; any book with the title, "Ten Ways to . . ."; any book in which faith in God is bracketed with financial success or social popularity; any book written by an actress, a rear admiral, a bull fighter, an ex-Communist, a reformed dope addict, a retiring president of a woman's college, a self-made industrialist, or a famous song writer.

One of these soon days Little, Brown will issue a 1st-person narrative, *I Married the Klondike*, by Laura Beatrice Berton. This, it may be, is a fact of only academic interest. But what may jolt you a bit is the preface. It bears the signature of Rob't W Service. A little surprised to find him still alive and taking pen in hand? Well, the author of sundry Yukon ballads is living and writing in Monte Carlo, France, where he celebrated his 81st b'day last month.

Marilyn Monroe has written a book. Just what it's about, no one seems to know. But the word is that publishers who've seen the mss are turning no handsprings. . . . From London comes word that Hannen Swaffer, the colum-

Lawyer John Lord O'Brian, who served as the last sec'y and clerk to the late Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, tells of coming upon Holmes one day reading Thucydides. "I am reading this book," the Justice explained, "because some day I will stand at the pearly gates and St Peter will ask, 'Holmes, have you ever read Thucydides?'"

nist, is about ready to give up the attempt to write his life story. "I've penned more than 100,000 words," he confided to our British scout, "and that brought me only to the age of 7."

David Ewen, whose *Home Book of Musical Knowledge* has just been published by Prentice-Hall, is a highbrow with a knack of humanizing a subject too often viewed in an attitude of apprehension and suspicion. Sure, he says, you can get a lot of pleasure out of listening to music, even if you can't tell a glissando from an obbligato. But fun increases with familiarity. Who, he asks, gets the biggest bang out of baseball? It's the guy who knows the game well enough to yell in the right places.

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History and Histrionics

Two speeches affected American history 180 yrs ago this wk; one by its success, the other by its failure. Patrick Henry's "Give me liberty!" rallied colonists to arms, while Edmund Burke's plea for more American rights was booed down by his fellow Parliament mbrs. Had the opposite occurred (Henry been thought too war-like, and Burke been able to regain American loyalty thru the freedoms he argued for in these temperate words), would we perhaps still be part of the Empire?

As long as you have the wisdom to keep the sovereign authority of this country as the sanctuary of liberty . . . wherever the chosen race and sons of England worship freedom, they will turn their faces towards you. . . Slavery they can have anywhere. It is a weed that grows in every soil. . . But, until you become lost to all feeling of your true interest and your natural dignity, freedom they can have from none but you. . . This is the true act of navigation, which binds to you the commerce of the colonies, and thru them secures to you the wealth of the world. Deny them this participation of freedom and you break that sole bond, which originally made, and still must preserve, the unity of the empire.

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RELIGION—20

The higher religions are windows thru which the light of God shines. There may be differences about the rays they transmit or the intensity of their splendor but these differences do not justify discord or rivalries. — SARVEPALLI RADHAKRISHNAN, *New Outlook*.

RESOURCES—Food—21

More people will go to bed hungry in the world tonight than will go to bed well fed. There was very little more food produced in '54 than in '38, but some 200 million more people to be fed.—NORRIS E DODD, *Sabbath Recorder*.

SCIENCE—22

My world has begun to fear that science has destroyed the ancient values and put nothing in their place. What has really happened, of course, is that science has shown in harsh relief the division between our values and our world. —J BRONOWSKI, *Science Digest*.

SEXES—23

Today . . . a man courts a girl simply because he finds her enchanting and would like to be enchanted for the rest of his life. In Geo Jean Nathan's phrase, he has found a brand of beer that suits him and now he wants to go to work in the brewery. It is inconceivable that his taste for this brand will some day pall. — E S TURNER, *History of Courting* (Dutton).

SOUL—24

Life's greatest tragedy is the man with a 10 by 12 intellect and a 2 by 4 soul. — Dr L R AKERS, *Christian Youth Herald*.

Pathways to the Past



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Nat'l Salesmen's Wk Nat'l Wildlife Wk

Mar 20—Red Cross Sunday. . . Note to AFofL-CIO's 15 million mbrs: Don't look around, something may be gainin' on you—the Gen'l Fed'n of Women's Clubs, formed 65 yrs ago (1890), now governs 11 million clubwomen (enough to cause chaos if housewife mbrs strike for Guaranteed Annual Wage).

Mar 21—Feast of St Benedict. . . *Spring Begins.* . . 270th anniv (1685) b of 1st of classical music's great "3 B's"—organist Johann Sebastian Bach, master of counterpoint composition (those tricky cross-hand exercises that cause so many piano students to take up clay-modeling instead).

Mar 22—The floating crap game probably got its ignoble start 325 yrs ago (1630) when Boston elders passed the nation's 1st anti-gambling law. . . The colonial Stamp Act was enacted 190 yrs ago (1765) and the Sons of Liberty promptly organized to resist it. . . British statesman Edmund Burke made his far-sighted Conciliation speech 180 yrs ago (1775), asking more rights, less controls for American colonies (Parliament turned a deaf ear; it took the sound of Lexington gunfire to restore its hearing). . . Feeling themselves a cut above the common barbers (who performed most operations then), the Royal College of Surgeons organ-

ized 155 yrs ago (1800) to raise surgery to the status of the older profession of medicine.

Mar 23—While Burke talked peace in England, Patrick Henry talked war to patriots with his "Give me liberty or give me death!" speech in Virginia 180 yrs ago (1775).

Mar 24—All in all, a bad wk in British diplomacy 190 yrs ago (1765); Parliament passed the Quartering Act, angering Americans who were forced to house English troops gratis. . . 100th anniv (1855) b of jillionaire financier Andrew W Mel'on, Sec'y of State under 3 presidents and donor of Washington's Nat'l Gallery of Art. . . Catholic Bishop Sheen may owe his tv poise to long on-camera experience—he spoke on the 1st religious telecast 25 yrs ago (1930).

Mar 25—The Annunciation (Lady Day). . . The audience at the premiere of Gilbert and Sullivan's *Trial By Jury* 55 yrs ago (1900) "let the punishment fit the crime"—guilty of hilarity, it was sentenced to a long run.

Mar 26—Congress passed the 1st Naturalization act 165 yrs ago (1790). . . New England's Robert Frost, 3-time Pulitzer Prize winner, is the oldest major American poet on his 80th birthday today.

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"Of all things!"

Don't dump your diamonds on the strength of last wk's headlines.

The dream of making diamonds artificially has engaged the mind of man for a thousand yrs. Chemical elements of the diamond are precisely those of the graphite in your lead pencil. You can reduce a diamond to pure graphite under the pressure of heat. But the art of producing diamonds from graphite has proved elusive.

Now, it seems, the men at Gen'l Electric have succeeded, thru the use of a fantastic press, simulating pressures of the earth at a depth of 240 mi's. By this process laboratory technicians have produced a \$10 diamond—at an estimated cost of ha'f-a-million dollars.

This news, in characteristic American fashion, upped GE stock by 4 points, while the shares of De Beers, the big diamond producer, dropped sharply.

You should not disparage the bulletin from Schenectady. It marks a significant victory in man's continuing battle to cloister elemental forces. At some distant date the GE process may produce abrasive diamonds that are industrially competitive. This is important because the industrial use of diamonds is very substantial. But Woolworth's won't be selling Gen'l Electric diamonds this yr, or next. You may be reasonably assured that your great grandchildren will still wear — and prize — Nature's costliest gem.

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TEACHERS—Teaching—25

The devotion of teachers to the subjects they teach as a thing of prime importance often means the inevitable neglect of the object of instruction, the boys and girls to be taught.—Dr WM H BURHAM, *Instrumentalist*.

TENSION—26

Material power and dollars and military ascendancy may preserve us temporarily; but the dynamic tensions of our society can be relieved only by moral and social wisdom.—RAYMOND FOSDICK, *World Affairs Interpreter*.

TRUTH—27

Unless our work as scientific investigators leads us to a genuine love of the truth that becomes more and more akin with the passing yrs to a ruling passion, to the exclusion of our sordid desires for honor, fame or wealth, we shall not have received the highest gift that is in the power of science to bestow.—A W BROWNE, quoted in *American Scientist*, Winter '55.

TRUST—28

You may be deceived if you trust too much, but you will live in torment if you do not trust enough.—*Prairie City (Ia) News*.

UNITED NATIONS—29

A paraphrase of the words of one of the founding fathers of America might well guide us today: Unless the free nations of the world hang together in the United Nations, they will be hanged separately by the Communist nations.—ROBT O SMITH, pastor, Pickerington Methodist Church, Pickerington, O.

WAR—Peace—30

There can be no sane human being who does not long to see the dread of war removed finally from the hearts and minds of men, but it never has made (and never will make) any sense trying to abolish any particular *weapon*. What we have to abolish is *war*.

Recent history is littered with the ruins of attempts to do that by pacts, leagues, treaties. *What has now happened is that war has abolished itself because the atomic and hydrogen bombs have found their way into the armories of the world*. So the greatest disservice that anyone could possibly do to the cause of peace would be to abolish nuclear armaments. — Sir JOHN SLESSOR, Marshal of the Royal Air Force, *Strategy For The West* (Morrow).

WORK—31

Of all the working people in offices and factories, just 15% give more than is required to do their jobs; 25% work less than the minimum standard; and 60% do barely enough to get by.—Curtis Courier, hm, Curtis 1000 Inc.

YOUTH—32

Are young people terribly bad nowadays? Not for one moment would we minimize the seriousness of the juvenile delinquency problem. . . But there is a brighter side.

A short news story the other day told of a senior class in an Illinois high school. The 25 mbrs of the class voted that the \$800 they had saved for a 6-day vacation trip to the Ozarks be given to their adviser whose house had burned down.—*Standard*.

In Brief

Thrifty Democrats will bank an estimated \$20,000 during the '56 Nat'l Convention by renting space to exhibitors in the convention hall. Several advertisers have expressed interest. . . Uncle Sam, too, has his moments of thrift. Used to cost \$1.59 to mint 1000 pennies; now the cost is down to about \$1. They're making new pennies by melting up old ones.

While we squawk over coffee prices, British are again having Tea Trouble. Tea prices have humped from 65 cts to \$1.12. It's an issue that could defeat Conservatives at the polls this yr. . . Illegal crap games don't float any more—they fly. Promoters of "high-stake" games now charter airliners out of N Y, Chicago, Miami, to avoid increasing holdups by other underworld mbrs. . . That chain letter's here again! This time bait is \$25 U S saving bonds. Promised ret'n: \$38,400, or \$51,200 if you hold bonds 10 yrs. Jan sale of E bonds highest in 10 yrs. But Uncle Sam plans to tromp on the bubble right suddenly. . . Big ad campaign planned to sell U S on tequilla, Mexican cactus liquor. Irony is that, aside from limited use in mixed drinks, better class Mexicans won't touch the stuff.

Startling headline on local industry story in Naperville (Ill) newspaper: "Kroehler Davenport Beds Play Important Role in City's Growth."

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Good Stories.....

you can use

Philadelphia's Geo Brooke, III, whose father owned the last coach-and-four in the Quaker City was faced with the prospect of squiring his wife and her best friend to Paris, where they were determined to have a gay time. Brooke put the problem in a letter to a more worldly-wise friend. "Do you happen to know," he asked casually, "the address of some perfectly respectable restaurant where the waitresses are naked?"—CLEVELAND AMORY, "High Society, U S A," *Holiday*, 3-'55. a

Going the Washington rounds is the story about British scientists overseeing a construction project. They noticed that one worker always pulled his wheelbarrow instead of pushing it. They called in consultants from the Labor Ministry, and all together they studied the matter from every aspect, sensing that perhaps it meant a new technique that might revolutionize the construction industry.

Finally, not being able to figure out any obvious gain from pulling a wheelbarrow instead of pushing it, they called the worker in and asked him about it—urging him to weigh his words carefully, inasmuch as they might be of great scientific value. "Why do I pull me barrow?" the worker ans'd. "Because, guv'nor, I can't stand the sight of the bloody thing!"—OLLIE JAMES, *Cincinnati Enquirer*. b

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I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

JACK KYTLE

In a small Georgia town the editor of the wkly paper had to be away one publication day. He had forehandedly gotten all of his news into type. All that remained was to lock up the forms and start the press. This chore he left to the one-man printing force, a grizzled old fellow with a fondness for strong drink.

With the editor safely gone, the oldster figured he could speed work by soothing his nerves. The more he soothed them, the more distasteful—and impossible—became the task of lock-up and printing. He recalled that type forms for last wk's paper were still on the press. So, after a few more drinks, inspiration flamed.

When the editor ret'd, he was astonished to read his paper of the wk before—except for one change. Across page one was the banner headline: "Reprinted by Popular Request."

A small girl was studying a fashion magazine. "Mummy," she said seriously, "why do they make pictures of ladies who are not quite ready?"—*Sparkles*. c

Wise Cracks

In a mental institution one patient suffered under a compulsion to tear off his clothes. Doctor offered him a reward of 10 cts for each day he refrained from doing so.

The man kept his apparel on Monday thru Saturday, but on Sunday he was again off on a tear. Doctor chided him for the relapse.

"Well," retorted the patient, "you certainly didn't think I was going to work on Sunday, did you?"—*Wall St Jnl.* d

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A little Mexican boy in an American school was told to write the 1st verse of "The Star Spangled Banner." He began, "Jose, can you see?"—*Capper's Wkly.* e

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A Navy pilot visited the office of the Nat'l Aircraft Show in Dayton this yr during a particularly busy moment when the telephone rang. All hands being occupied, he took up the phone and listened for a moment to the complaints of an irate resident of a nearby town. "This is a dreadful thing!" she said. "These airplanes are making so much noise I can hardly hear myself think!"

"Are they Russian planes?" the pilot asked.

"Certainly not! They're American planes. I can see them."

"Thank God!" said the Navy flier and hung up.—*Flying.* f

One plants spring vegetables to get the vitamins to relieve the sore back one gets from planting spring vegetables.—AL M SCHAEFER.

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There's this to be said about mixing gasoline and alcohol: it produces more hearse-power.—S S BIDDLE.

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It's the job of the U S Mint to make it first—and yours to make it last.—FRANCES RODMAN.

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There are times when silence is the best way to yell at the top of your voice.—O A BATTISTA.

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A throat specialist says smoking makes women's voices harsh. If you don't agree, just try flicking your ashes on the rug.—Carrollton (Ky) News-Democrat.

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It's a pretty safe bet that the husbands of the 10 Best-Dressed Women won't show up on the list of the 10 Best-Dressed Men.—VFW Mag.

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Now that the AFofL and CIO have decided to merge, maybe a steelworker can carry a load home on Saturday night without being picketed by the teamster's union.—FLETCHER KNEBEL, NANA Syndicate.

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If the season of fed'l income tax, poll tax, gross income tax and license renewals has you confused, consider the case of the long-suffering Milwaukee man who visited City Hall to pay his property taxes.

He was hustled to the end of a long line by a policeman and waited patiently while the queue snail-paced its way up to the desk at the head. When his turn finally came, the woman at the desk briskly asked his name, his wife's name, his age and previous illnesses. Puzzled, he supplied the information, but when she asked him to take off his coat, the man exploded.

"Listen, all I want to do is pay my taxes and leave," he steamed.

"Well," answered the woman, "you got in the wrong line. This is for chest X-rays."—*Milwaukee Jnl. &*

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Gobbledygook experts have been busy with this beautiful chunk of prose uttered by Georgi Malenkov in his "resignation" as Soviet premier:

"I clearly see that the carrying out of the complicated and responsible duties of chairman of the Council of Ministers is being negatively affected by my insufficient experience in local work, and the fact that I did not have occasion, in a ministry or some economic organ, to effect direct guidance of individual branches of national economy."

Translated, this adds up to: "I didn't start at the bottom and work my way up!" — *GEO DIXON, King Features Syndicate.* **h**

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Susan was not much inclined to say her prayers one night. "Surely," her mother said, "you ought to say your prayers happily, to give thanks for all the good things you have, Susan. Think of all the children without nice homes, or clothes, or good food, or loving parents to take care of them."

"I do think of them," replied the girl, "and it seems to me *they're* the ones who ought to say their prayers."—*Pageant.* **i**

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Two of the theatre's most suave ornaments recently found themselves out-suaved by Mme Pierre Mendes-France. When she went backstage after seeing *Fanny* she met Enzo Pinza, a native of Italy, and Walter Slezak, a native of Vienna. They chatted in French.

"Forgive me," Pinza said suavely, "my French has some Italian in it."

"Forgive me," added the suave Slezak, "mine has some Viennese in it."

"Forgive me," said Mme Mendes-France, "mine has a trace of English in it."—*Theatre Arts.* **j**

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A minister met an unregenerate acquaintance on the street and inquired during their brief conversation, "Just what do you have against coming to church?"

"Plenty!" snarled the sinner. "The 1st time I went, they threw water in my face and the 2nd time they tied me to a woman I've had to support ever since."

"I see," said the minister quietly, "and the next time they'll throw dirt on you." — *Great Northern Goat*, hm, Great Northern Ry. **k**

Twenty-five yrs from now there will be letters to the editor about how all the juveniles are delinquent on acc't of they don't have the old-time chores around the home any more, like turning up the thermostat every morning, or pushing the button to open the garage door.—*Minneapolis Star*. 1



Room At The Top

There's room to relax in uncrowded Canada. — Advertisement of Canadian Government Travel Bureau.

Go north young man, and o'd man too

(Advice, if not an order),
Drive up by car or take the train
Or go by bus or go by plane
Across the northern border.

In Canada there's room to sprawl
And rest yourself from labor.
Up in that region vast and wild
You can relax, sleep like a child,
Removed from phone and neighbor.

Where people still are far apart,
A land of woods and boulders,
You too, if you are pleasure bent,
Can stretch yourself to heart's content
And never once rub shoulders.

Yes, north is now the new frontier,
And Canada's a comer.
But still, my northward-wending hero,
Unless you like it sub sub-zero,
You might hold off till summer.

In the divorce court the parents were disputing the custody of the child. The mother reminded everyone that she had brought the child into the world.

The father: "Your honor, when I put a dime in a candy machine and a candy bar comes out, whom does it belong to—me or the machine?"—*Temmler Werke* publication, Hamburg (QUOTE translation). m

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An undergraduate at an Eastern-seaboard university (which had better be nameless, at least until everything gets straightened out there) received a letter the other day from the dean in answer to a curricular inquiry he had made. "I have explored most of the avenues in the univ with respect to your request," the dean's letter said, "and it looks to me as if you will have to go thru with your long-term program. I have discovered no short cut. I wish something could be done about it, but the rules and regulations of the univ, and, as a matter of fact, of the Puerto Ricans, are such that we cannot make exception." Not wishing to bother the dean further, the student telephoned his office, got his sec'y and asked her if she could explain the part of the letter that baffled him. "Oh, darn it!" she said. "That's supposed to be 'Board of Regents,' not 'Puerto Ricans.' I keep doing that all the time!"—*New Yorker*. n

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Quote-ettes

JOAN GREENWOOD, British actress, regarding men of Hollywood: "They'll propose to you after a cocktail party and two dinners. At times, I was rather insulted."

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ERNEST HEMINGWAY, learning that Marlene Dietrich named him as the most fascinating man she knows: "Miss Dietrich is entitled to her opinion."

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SECOND CLASS MATTER

News of the **NEW**

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It's generally conceded that electronic machines are whizzes at business, but they haven't shown artistic or cultural leanings. Now, however, RCA has outdone itself with a machine that could replace live musicians — whole orchestras of them at once. The electronic system, which fills a small room, can create any tone made by any musical instrument or the human voice; it can blend them in any orchestral arrangement; it can even produce tones never heard before.

Musicians can relax for a while — the synthesizer is still in the experimental stage. But it has been demonstrated, playing a number

of familiar songs. Brig Gen David Sarnoff, RCA chmn, says that this "new system of making music should encourage musical composers to write new compositions that can take advantage of the wider scope and superior characteristics offered them by electronics." He also says that it offers new opportunities in phonograph production and rejuvenation of old recordings into new ones without distortion and noise.

Operators of the synthesizer needn't know how to play any instrument, says Sarnoff. They just press typewriter-like keys that actuate the electron tubes and transistors.

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